

Remarks

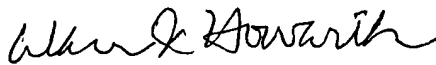
Claims 1-40 are pending in this application. Claims 41-52 have been canceled as drawn to non-elected subject matter. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuing applications drawn to the subject matter of these canceled claims. No new matter has been added to the application by virtue of the present amendment.

Claims 1-40 have been allowed. There being no other outstanding issues, Applicants respectfully request passage of this application to issue.

Should the Examiner deem it advisable to conduct a telephone interview for any reason, the undersigned attorney would be most agreeable to receiving a telephone call to expedite the allowance of the application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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